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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In connection with a Request for Continued Examination being filed concurrently herewith, kindly amend the above-captioned patent application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Kindly replace Claims 1, 5, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, and 18 with the following:*

1. (Amended) An image forming apparatus, comprising:

a first memory for storing image data;

a second memory for storing image forming conditions;

an image output unit for printing image data stored in a first memory under the image forming conditions stored in the second memory;

command means for generating a command of discarding the image data to be printed from the image output unit; and

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